

14 July 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

FROM :
Administrative Officer, DCI

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SUBJECT : Unique Expenditures Associated
with DCI Travel

1. For a number of years it has been the practice to authorize official travel (at government expense) for a security aide to accompany a Director or Deputy Director when either of these individuals is traveling for personal reasons as distinct from traveling for the purposes of conducting the government's business.

2. Under precedents established before my assignment to this position, approval for the expenditure of government funds to provide for the protection of the persons of the DCI and DDCI while on personal business has included approval to expend funds for payment of the difference in cost between First Class and Economy Class airfares on the premise that it is in the interests of the national security of the United States to afford the best possible protection for the DCI and that travel in First Class accommodations affords a substantially more amenable environment for carrying out this responsibility than does Economy Class travel. In other words, DCI/DDCI personal travel must be First Class to afford maximum feasible protection for the persons and therefore it is in the interests of the Federal Government to authorize reimbursement of the cost differential.

3. Similarly it has been the practice to authorize reimbursement to the DCI and the DDCI for the difference in cost between First Class and Economy Class travel for the travel of the wives of these individuals when accompanying these officials either on official or personal business. The same justifications pertain, i.e., to afford

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protection to the DCI (or DDCI) for travel at First Class fare rates is necessary and beyond the control of the DCI or DDCI and when the wife travels with either one, she is compelled to travel at First Class rates.

STAT 4. The question has been raised concerning the authorization under which the government assumes costs associated with personal travel of the DCI, DDCI and their wives. No specific authorization for this type of expenditure can be located. Therefore, under the provisions of , it is requested that approval be granted and recorded for the expenditure of government funds for the following purposes:

a) Full travel and subsistence costs associated with the travel of a security aide to accompany the DCI or DDCI when traveling for personal as distinct from official purposes (e.g. vacations, to conduct personal business, etc.).

b) The payment of the difference between First Class and Economy Class travel for DCI/DDCI personal travel on the premise that notwithstanding the personal nature of the travel, maximum feasible protection must be provided these individuals and that First Class air accommodations are required to achieve a reasonable level of protection.

c) The payment of the difference in costs between First Class and Economy Class fare for travel by the wives of the DCI or DDCI when accompanying these officials on either an official or personal basis on the premise that when traveling together it is not possible to disassociate and separate the protection of the official person from that of his wife.

5. Pending your action on this memorandum or other notification from you, I will continue to approve expendi-

tures for the purposes set forth in para 4a, b and c above based on the established precedents authorizing such costs.



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Expenditures of government funds for the purposes set forth in para 4a, b and c above are APPROVED:

Date

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